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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EXAMINATION

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Dear Sir:

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The Applicant makes the following further submissions and preliminary amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the first paragraph after the heading "Description of Preferred and Other Embodiments" as shown in the enclosed marked up copy. A clean copy of the amended paragraph is also enclosed.

REMARKS

The Applicant includes on page 7 a reference in further support of the amendment proposed 27 February 2002 to include new Fig.2. This Fig. 2 is also Fig. 2 of 09/113,060 as originally filed. A reference is also included to the Table on page 1 in view of previous changes made to the specification.

The Applicant further submits that no new matter is being claimed by referring to "inbuilt" in the claims in the amendments proposed 27 February 2002. The Applicant refers to page 6, last fourth and fifth lines where the expression used is that the printer may be "incorporated into the digital camera". The claims have been amended to so characterise the invent